

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION

Drive Safer Sunday

WHEREAS, Road Safe America was founded in 2003 to raise awareness about the need for trucks and passenger vehicles to drive more safely to save lives on American roads and highways; and

WHEREAS, Steve and Susan Owings founded Road Safe America after their son, Cullum, was killed the Sunday after Thanksgiving in 2002 when his car was crushed from behind by a speeding tractor trailer on a Virginia highway; and

WHEREAS, more than 43,000 people are killed each year in accidents on American highways and roads; and

WHEREAS, the Sunday after Thanksgiving is the busiest highway travel day of the year; and

WHEREAS, there is no single day set aside in the United States for everyone to focus on driving more safely; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lincoln D. Chafee, Governor of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, do hereby proclaim November 27, 2011 as Drive Safer Sunday in the State of Rhode Island and encourage all state residents to recognize the importance of this day.



Given under my hand and the great seal of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, this 24th day of October, 2011

Lincoln D. Chafee Governor

A. Ralph Mollis Secretary of State